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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

In the specification, page 35, line 6, please replace "EXAMPLE VIII" with -- EXAMPLE X--:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 4, 9 and 17 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) [A] An adenoviral vector for expressing a heterologous gene(s) in a host cell, comprising[,] (a) at least one insertion site for cloning a selected heterologous gene[,]; (b) a promoter sequence positioned upstream from said [gene] at least one insertion site, wherein upon cloning of the selected heterologous gene into said at least one insertion site, said gene [being] is under the regulatory control of said promoter; the left end replication and packaging elements of the adenovirus-5